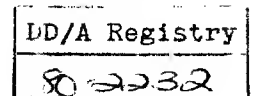


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MEMORANDUM TO HEADS OF AGENCIES

Subject: "656" Working Groups

At the last meeting of the Interagency Federal Energy Policy Committee, i.e., "656 Committee," on July 24, 1980, the Chairmen of the six Working Groups presented status reports on their activities and achievements. Summaries of these status reports may be requested from the Committee's Executive Secretary, Mr. Paul Brumby, Department of Energy, 252-9467.

As Chairman and Vice Chairman of the "656 Committee," we would like to commend those of your employees actively engaged in these Working Group projects. Federal energy conservation initiatives such as national ridesharing, employee awareness programs, shuttle consolidation and revision of the Federal Supply Schedules, are all underway and look very promising. The status reports show that the Working Groups have achieved a high level of interagency cooperation and are making significant contributions to our national energy conservation strategy.

The Working Groups will continue to operate under the guidance of the "656 Committee." Nevertheless, the Working Groups are made up of your employees and must have your continuing support. There is a real need for contact and exchange between top management, agency Energy Coordinators, and Working Group members. It is important that employees who are contributing to the Working Groups gain recognition for their special efforts (often performed in addition to regular duties) and, preferably, that such employees be allotted time for Working Group responsibilities.

We have enclosed a list of each of the Working Groups and their current membership and encourage that each agency now take the opportunity to reiterate energy conservation goals, publicize the names of key energy conservation personnel and solicit criticism and suggestions for forwarding to the appropriate "656" Working Group. If you have additional personnel with expertise which would be beneficial to one of the Working Groups, their services would be highly desired.

We ask for your continued personal commitment and involvement so that we may be successful in the achievement of our Federal energy conservation goals.

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